N
52.07
.157
.877

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Overseers of the Poor,

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF SALEM, N. H.,

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

Ending February 28, 1877.

HAVERHILL, MASS.:
C. C. MORSE & SON, STEAM BOOK AND JOB PRINTERS.
1877.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TOWN TREASURER, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF SALEM, N. H.,

For the Financial Year ending Feb. 28, 1877.

HAVERHILL:
C. C. MORSE & SON, STEAM BOOK AND JOB PRINTERS,
1877.

N
352.07
S157
1877

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1876.

TOWN CLERK.

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL. WILLARD W. MERRILL.

CHARLES I. BOWKER.

TOWN TREASURER.

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL.

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SAMUEL BOWKER.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

SILAS HALL.

AUDITORS.

JOHN SMITH. NELSON EMERSON.

LEVI CLUFF.

CONSTABLES.

CLINTON EWINS JAMES J. BUTLER.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

ASSETS.

For cash received.

Former Treasurer,	$1,269 23
Salem Cornet Band for rent of hall, 1875,	50 00
State Treasurer, railroad tax,	401 61
" " Savings Bank tax,	190 67
" " literary fund,	155 70
County of Rockingham, for support of paupers,	609 82
William P. Merrill, for one cow,	36 00
Charles I. Bowker, for rent of hall,	10 00
Jonathan G. Clough, Supt. at Almshouse,	61 49
A. N. Russ, uncollected taxes, 1872,	274 70
" " interest on "	26 17
Charles F. Kimball, uncollected taxes, 1874,	226 52
" " interest on " "	12 00
Silas Hall, uncollected taxes, 1873,	50 61
" " " " 1875,	1,690 28
Amount of tax list committed to Silas Hall, 1876,	12,407 88
Silas Hill, interest on taxes,	66 50
	$17,539 18

EXPENDITURES.

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF SCHOOLS.

District No. 1—Town appropriation,		$255 58	
	Railroad tax,	40 16	
	Literary fund,	63 77	
	Dog tax,	29 50	$389 01
District No. 2—Town appropriation,		59 41	
	Railroad tax,	40 16	
	Literary fund,	14 78	
	Dog tax,	29 50	143 85
District No. 3—Town appropriation,		52 34	
	Railroad tax,	40 16	
	Literary fund,	13 03	
	Dog tax,	29 50	135 03
District No. 4—Town appropriation,		197 89	
	Railroad tax,	40 16	
	Literary fund,	49 22	
	Dog tax,	29 50	316 77
District No. 5—Town appropriation,		99 62	
	Railroad tax,	40 16	
	Literary fund,	24 81	
	Dog tax,	29 50	194 09
District No. 6—Town appropriation,		327 00	
	Railroad tax,	40 16	
	Literary fund,	81 58	
	Dog tax,	29 50	478 24

District No. 7—Town appropriation,	107 18		
Railroad tax,	40 16		
Literary fund,	26 73		
Dog tax,	29 50	203	57
District No. 8—Town appropriation,	102 68		
Railroad tax,	40 16		
Literary fund,	25 62		
Dog tax,	29 50	197	96
District No. 9—Town appropriation,	114 83		
Railroad tax,	40 16		
Literary fund,	28 62		
Dog tax,	29 50	213	11
District No. 10—Town appropriation,	73 33		
Railroad tax,	40 16		
Literary fund,	18 21		
Dog tax,	29 50	161	20
		$2,432	83

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF CONTINGENCIES.

School Dist. No. 3, interest on note,	$ 8 04
Jemima Hall, interest on note,	67 54
Mary Allen, " "	12 00
Harriet D. Hunt, part payment of note,	200 00
Mary W. Long, " " "	57 50
Martha J. Prince, interest on note,	12 00
Theodosha Gage, part payment of note,	200 00
John L. Prince's heirs,	203 80
Harriet D. Hunt, interest on note,	30 00
Mary W. Long, note and interest,	949 01
Harriet D. Hunt, " "	318 85

M. H. Taylor, services as Moderator,	4 00
Wm. B. Kimball, expense to pay state and county taxes,	7 00
" " cash paid for dinner and use of horse, taking invoice,	19 25
Nathan R. Bodwell, repairing old cemetery wall,	15 00
Merrill & Crocker, printing reports and check-list,	44 00
Samuel Bowker, printing reports and notices,	5 50
Ebenezer G. Duston, selectmen's dinners,	16 00
B. B Hutchins, damage by dogs killing sheep,	9 00
James Alfrey, repairing Town House,	300 00
George C. Gordon, insurance policy,	15 00
Jas. V. Smiley &Co., blank books, &c.,	4 00
Wm. B. Kimball, expense to get county money,	4 00
Willard W. Merrill, collector's book and town officer,	4 15
D. Foster Hall, repairs on hearse,	1 28
State Treasurer, state tax,	1,564 00
County Treasurer, county tax,	1,589 37
Levi Cluff, Town Treasurer, and balance services as Selectman for 1875,	51 50
Wm, B. Kimball, balance of services as Selectman, 1875,	7 00
Willard W. Merrill, " " " "	16 00
Merrill & Crocker, printing tax bills,	7 00
Temple & Farrington, record books for cemetery deeds,	6 50
Nelson Emerson, repairs on hearse,	3 00
John F. Smith, services as Auditor,	2 00
Benjamin R. Wheeler, services as Town Clerk,	40 00
Silas Hall, collecting taxes for 1876,	140 00
Wm. B. Kimball, services as Selectman and Overseer of the Poor,	90 00
Willard W. Merrill, services as Selectman and Overseer of the Poor,	55 00
Chas. I. Bowker, services as Selectman and Overseer of the Poor,	41 00

Josiah Cluff, school house tax, 1876, district No 8,	150 00
Silas Hall, cash paid for notifying non-residents and services as Auditor,	8 00
Willard W. Merrill, school house tax, 1876, district No. 6,	200 00
Samuel Bowker, services as Superintendent of Schools,	70 00
Samuel Bowker for school books,	3 05
Silas Hall, discount on taxes,	522 48
	$7,072 82

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF ROADS AND BRIDGES.

H. Woodbury, working highway tax in Dist. No. 1,	$ 39 38
John Webber, " " " " " 2,	42 08
Robert Emerson, " " " " " 3,	39 33
Benj. E. Chase, " " " " " 4,	35 54
John F. Smith, " " " " " 5,	44 18
Lester L. Hall, " " " " " 6,	115 00
Ezra B. Hall, " " " " " 7,	50 00
D. M. Thom, " " " " " 8,	30 00
Wm. D. Bradford, " " " " " 9,	30 00
Chas. V. Butler, " " " " " 10,	52 50
Tristram C. Adams, " " " " " 11,	32 21
James Ayer, " " " " " 12,	218 51
Chas. G. Bodwell, " " " " " 13,	30 00
Wm. G. Crowell, " " " " " 14,	41 56
P. B. Emerson, " " " " " 15,	45 00
W. H. Haseltine, " " " " " 16,	45 75
Nath'l H. Paul, " " " " " 17,	38 00
M. H. Taylor, " " " " " 18,	200 00
J. W. Wheeler, " " " " " 19,	124 65

T. A. Rowell, working highway tax in Dist. No. 20,	43 36
F. A. Goodhue, " " " " " 21,	17 25
Michael Cullen, " " " " " 22,	35 00
Sam'l P. Kelley, " " " " " 23,	100 00
Jerome Kelley, " " " " " 24,	75 00
Jacob P. Huse, " " " " " 25,	25 00
Tobias Stackpole, " " " " " 26,	40 00
Levi Cluff, " " " " " 27,	50 00
Wm. H. Clark, " " " " " 28,	60 38
Aaron G. Wilson, " " " " " 29,	25 28
R. F. Wheeler, " " " " " 30,	25 00
Richard Taylor, bridge plank,	37 00
Wm. A. Kimball, drawing railing for bridges,	4 00
Gilman D. Kelley, gravel, and repairing highway,	4 20
Daniel Merrill, timber and plank for bridge,	6 10
John Brady, working non-resident taxes in 1874,	3 60
Ezra B. Hall, gravel for highway,	5 25
Franklin A. Goodhue, repairing highway,	2 25
Thomas B. Middleton, gravel for highway,	7 34
Thomas Duston, repairing highway,	5 00
Enoch Taylor, stringers for, and labor on bridge,	39 64
John F. Smith, working non-resident taxes in 1875,	5 00
D. Foster Hall, iron work on bridges,	7 68
James Crossley, repairing highway,	2 24
Benjamin E. Chase, repairing highway,	5 00
William Taylor, plank and stringers for bridges,	98 27
" " repairing highway and working non-resident taxes,	5 90
Seth J. M. Pettee, repairing highways and bridges,	10 65
Wm. H. Clark, " "	6 75
James Ayer, repairs on bridges,	17 25
" " repairs and building over bridges,	70 22

Charles V. Butler, repairing bridge and highway,	16 00
Wm. G. Colby, repairing highway,	10 75
Charles V. Butler, building bridge near Hassets,	23 00
Silas Hall, repairing highway,	3 00
William Stanton,	3 00
	$2,149 05

SNOW PATHS.

Paid for Breaking Paths.

John F. Smith,	$7 00
John Webber,	24 95
Robert Emerson,	40 50
Benjamin E. Chase,	57 69
Samuel P. Kelley,	8 33
Jacob P. Huse,	3 00
Seth J. M. Pettee,	1 80
Charles V. Butler,	20 40
Ezra B. Hall,	11 25
Tristram C. Adams,	4 41
John Brady, in 1874,	3 00
Benj. E. Chase in 1875,	13 20
" "	5 00
Oliver Russ in 1875,	1 00
Hiram Hall,	3 30
Jacob & T. A. Rowell in 1874,	4 75
William Taylor,	7 20
William P. Merrill,	3 96
William A. Kimball,	3 00
Prescott B. Emerson,	13 95
Aaron G. Wilson,	2 44

Alfred Page,	4 00
James Ayer,	24 07
Ruel F. Wheeler,	9 35
Levi Cluff,	7 65
Franklin A. Goodhue,	14 00
Jacob P. Huse,	7 80
William H. Clark,	6 25
Jerome Kelley,	2 20
D. M. Thom,	5 60
Thomas A. Rowell,	17 67
Michael Cullen,	15 00
	$353 72

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Jonathan G. Clough, for supplies,	$ 55 97
" " " balance of services as Supt.,	50 00
George C. Howard, med. attendance on Jameson,	28 00
" " " " " " Sargent,	28 50
J. T. Douglas, coffin and robe for Wm. Sargent,	10 00
" " " " " Lavinia Rowell,	10 75
R. G. Chase & Co., for fruit trees,	16 00
Amos B. Poor, difference between cows,	15 00
John H. Adams, one cow,	36 00
Ezra B. Clough " "	25 00
Joshua Conant, part pay for services as Supt.,	225 00
Charles I. Bowker, for supplies,	200 08
Nelson Emerson, services as sexton at funeral of Lavinia Rowell,	5 00
	$705 30

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF TRANSIENT POOR.

Louisa Haynes, taking care Mrs. C. H. Clark,	$26 00
C. I. Bowker, supplies for " " "	9 07
" " goods delivered Joseph Palmer,	4 25
George C. Howard, med. attend. on Mrs. C. H. Clark,	27 00
" " " " " " John Bragdon,	25 00
Silas Hall, wood delivered Joseph Palmer,	1 50
C. Kimball, supplies delivered Joseph Palmer,	2 69
	$95 51

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Town-farm tax, 1876,	$ 48 67
Silas Hall, Collector, 1876,	8 51
" " " 1875,	33 87
A. N. Russ, 1872,	13 77
Charles F. Kimball, 1874,	15 64
Calvin H. Rand,	2 00
Silas Hall, on account of female dog tax to Richard H. Russ,	2 00
	$124 46

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of assets,		$17,539 18
Paid on account of schools,	$2,432 83	
Paid on account of contingencies,	7,072 82	
Paid on account of snow-paths,	353 72	

Paid on account of roads and bridges,	2,149 05	
Paid on account of Almshouse,	705 30	
Paid on account of transient poor,	95 51	
Paid on account of abatements,	124 46	
Due from A. N. Russ, Collector, 1872,	287 10	
Due from Silas Hall, Collector, 1873,	35 00	
Due from C. F. Kimball, Collector, 1874,	122 88	
Due from Silas Hall, Collector, 1876,	1,873 07	
Balance in Town Treasurer's hands,	2,287 44	
		$17,539 18

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL, *Town Treasurer.*

OUTSTANDING NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN.

School District No. 10, due March 10, 1876,	$ 242 52
School District No. 2, due Dec. 16, 1876,	224 72
School District No. 3, due March 20, 1877,	142 04
Ann Loomis, four notes, due Sept. 17, 1876,	8,493 70
Enoch Taylor, due Feb. 19, 1877,	702 80
Enoch Taylor, due May 25, 1877,	532 90
Albertus Coburn, due Dec. 29, 1876,	796 89
S. G. Jewett, due July 23, 1877,	422 33
Jemima Hall, due March 10, 1877,	636 00
Daniel Taylor, due Jan. 20, 1876,	1,191 02
Eliphalet Coburn, due Dec. 19, 1876,	1,662 83
Eliphalet Coburn, due March 3, 1877,	10,370 40
Mary Allen, due March 17, 1877,	212 00
Ebenezer Duston, due May 5, 1877,	2,524 95
Daniel Merrill, due May 19, 1877,	476 40
Theodosha Gage, due Nov. 20, 1876,	1,173 17
Hannah Marsh, due March 20, 1877,	1,771 52
Amount of outstanding notes against the town,	$31,576 19

DUE THE TOWN.

United States bounties,	$2,981 20	
A. N. Russ, Collector Taxes, 1872,	287 10	
Silas Hall, Collector Taxes, 1873,	35 00	
Charles F. Kimball, Collector, 1874,	122 88	
Superintendent of Almshouse,	55 60	
County of Rockingham,	51 00	
Silas Hall, Collector, 1876,	1,873 07	
Due from town of Atkinson,	17 75	
Balance in Town Treasurer's hands,	2,287 57	
		$7,711 17
Leaving a balance against the Town,		$23,865 02

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL,
WILLARD W. MERRILL,
CHARLES I. BOWKER,
} *Selectmen of Salem.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Dr.

To cash received for milk,		419 36
eggs,		25 30
butter,		11 84
calves,		18 30
labor,		6 50
chickens,		10 11
cabbage,		1 25
1 hog,		40 56
barrels,		1 80
use of plow,		1 50
1 trunk,		50
		$537 02

Cr.

By cash paid for	blacksmith work,	$8 00
	medicine,	55
	meat and fish,	12 06
	garden seeds and shovel,	2 72
	grain and grass seed,	44 93
	help,	22 00
	pigs,	8 00
	tobacco,	13 30
	paper,	1 70
	horse collar and rep sleigh,	6 35
	zinc, leather, nails, and cant hook,	2 70
	filing saws and repairing clock,	2 60
	grinding grain,	27
	onions, soap, lard, salt, sink,	10 30
	pasturage,	2 50
	raising barn,	1 00
	cask lime, oil, crackers,	3 53
	car fare,	2 40
	curing bacon and meat,	10 40
	dry goods,	12 05
	boots and shoes,	13 60
	C. I. Bowker, for supplies,	26 92
	1-2 bbl. soap,	3 00
	H. Plummer, for shingles,	9 00
	Smith & Wheeler, 1 tub butter,	11 36
	H. K. Webster & Co., for grain,	250 18
Balance in Superintendent's hands,		55 60
		$537 02

JOSHUA CONANT, *Supt.*

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid Superintendent of Almshouse, for one year,	$275 00
G. C. Howard, medical attendance,	56 50
Two cows,	61 00
Difference between cows,	15 00
Fruit trees,	16 00
Sundry expenses,	271 50
Transient poor,	95 51
Personal property at farm, Feb., 1876,	1,975 90
	$2,766 41
Cash received of county,	$609 82
" " William P. Merrill, for cow,	36 00
Due from county,	51 00
Due Superintendent,	55 60
Personal property at farm, Feb., 1877,	1,985 36
	$2,737 78
Leaving a balance against the Town of	28 63

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL,
WILLARD W. MERRILL,
CHARLES I. BOWKER,
Overseers of the Poor.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AT ALMSHOUSE.

7 tons English hay, $147.00 ; meadow hay, 11.50 ; 2 bus. rye, 2.00 ; 20 bus. corn, 18.00 ; 2 bus. beans, 6.00 ; 225 lbs. shorts, 2.81 ; 4 bags of meal, 5.60 ; 9 cows, 425.00 ; 1 heifer, 14.00 ; 1 horse, 150.00 ; 1 set of pulley blocks, 2.50 ; 1 blanket, 1.00 ; 1 buffalo robe, $8.00 ; 9 meal bags, 2.00 ; 3 short bags, .50 ; 1 wagon, 25.00 ; 1 sleigh and pung, 20.00 ;

1 harness, 5.00 ; 1 draft harness, 5.00 ; 5 hay forks, 2.00 ; 3 shovels, 2.50 ; 3 manure forks, 4.00 ; 3 crow bars, 3.00 ; 4 wood saws, 2.50 ; 2 hand saws, 1.25 ; 10 chains, 8.00 ; 1 manure fork and flail, 1.00 ; 3 rakes, .50 ; 3 hoes, 1.00 ; 1 garden hoe and corn cutter, 1.00 ; 4 ladders, 6.50 ; 1 set measures, .50 ; 1 bell, .50 ; 3 cords wood, 9.75 ; 20 cords prepared wood, 90.00 ; 7 shoats, 115.00 ; 33 fowls, 25.00 ; whiffletree and chain, 2.00 ; stone hammer, 1.00 ; 4 wedges, 1.00 ; 1 mowing machine, 75.00 ; 1 harrow, 4.00 ; 1 cultivator, 3.00 ; scythes and snaths, 3.00 ; 1 grindstone, 2.50 ; 1 ox-cart, 40.00 ; 1 drag, 2.00 ; 1 pick, 1.00 ; 1 horse sled, 25.00 ; 1 farm wagon, 20.00 ; bush scythes and snaths, 2.00 ; 3 plows, 20.00 ; 1 brush and curry comb, 1.00 ; 1 monkey wrench, .75 ; 1 horse rake, 2.00 ; 1 ox yoke, 3.00 ; wheelbarrow and sled, 6.50 ; 2 brass kettles, 3.00 ; fetters and halters, 2.00 ; scalding tub, .50 ; pork, 19.20 ; pork bbl., 1.00 ; cranberries, 2 50 ; 1 bbl. apples, 1.50 ; cider and cask, 11.00 ; 35 bus. potatoes, 35.00 ; turnips and cabbage, 5.00 ; soap and bbl., 2.50 ; 5 baskets, 1.00 ; hams, 7.50 ; 2 wash boards, .50 ; flour, 3.00 ; rye meal, 2.00 ; 32 lbs. butter, 9.60 ; 35 lbs. lard, 5.25 ; sugar, 1.00 ; 1 1–2 lb. tea, .75 ; churns and pails, 6.00 ; 1 cheese press, 2.00 ; butter box, 1.50 ; tray and bowl, 1.00 ; tin ware, 16.00 ; 1 lantern, 1.00 ; stone jars, 3.00 ; flatirons, 3.00 ; lamps and candlesticks, 1.50 ; steelyards, .50 ; 1 mortar, 50 , 14 feather beds, 110.00 ; quilts and comforters, 60.00 ; 28 pillows, 10.00 ; 42 pillow-cases, 7.00 ; 8 bolsters, 4.00 ; wearing apparel, 110.00 ; 20 pairs sheets, 20.00 ; chairs and tables, 12.00 ; 30 towels, 4.50 ; 9 bedsteads, 18.00 ; 1 apple parer, .90 ; 9 straw beds, 6.00 ; 2 clocks and mirror, 4.00 ; trunks, chests and drawers, 14.00 ; 6 jugs, 2.00 ; crockery ware, 12.00 ; warming and bedpans, 2.00 ; 7 axes, 5.00 ; 1 cranberry rake, 1.00 ; 20 flour bbls., 3.00 ; 1 cross-

cut saw, 1.00 ; 5 milk cans, 5.00 ; augers, 1.75 ; clothes-wringer, 4.00 ; 2 broad axes, 2.00 ; lot carpenter's tools, 10.00 ; hammer and stone tools, 3.00 ; old iron, 3.00 ; 1 sideboard, 5.00 ; 3 brooms, 1.00 ; 2 iron kettles, 1.00 ; stoves and funnel, 40.00 ; 1 clothes-line, 1.00 ; whitewash brush, 3 00 ; 1 rubber cushion, 3.00 ; clothes basket, .50 ; tobacco, 1.25 ; pair blankets, 5.00. Total, $1,985.36.

APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN.

Town Farm, valued at	$5,500 00
Woodland, valued at	100 00
Town House, valued at	1,000 00
Personal property at Almshouse,	1,985 36
Town safe,	450 00
Town hearse,	400 00
	$9,435 36

SCHOOL HOUSE TAX.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6, 1873.

Balance due the District, March 1, 1877,	$ 40 88

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4, 1875.

Balance paid the District,	$37 00

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6, 1876.

Whole amount assessed,		$261 92
Cash paid the District,	$200 00	
Balance due the District, March 1, 1877,	61 92	
		$261 92

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7, 1876.

Whole amount assessed,		$180 53
Cash paid the District,	150 00	
Balance due the District, March 1, 1877,	30 53	
		$180 53

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL,
WILLARD W. MERRILL,
CHARLES I. BOWKER,
} *Selectmen of Salem.*

PINE GROVE CEMETERY.

Cr.

Cash received of former Treasurer,	20 60	
Cash received for sale of lots,	34 00	
		$54 60

Dr.

Cash paid Nelson Emerson, for labor,	$25 00	
Cash balance in Treasurer's hands,	29 60	
		$54 60

WILLIAM B. KIMBALL,
WILLARD W. MERRILL,
CHARLES I. BOWKER, } *Committee.*

The undersigned, having examined the foregoing accounts, find the same correctly cast and properly vouched for.

JOHN F. SMITH,
NELSON EMERSON,
LEVI CLUFF, } *Auditors.*

Salem, N. H. March 1, 1877.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF SALEM, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, 1877.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Miss Annie S. Moulton has taught this school for more than two years. Her discipline and mode of instructing make her a successful teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Miss Emma Goodhue taught the summer and fall terms. Though this was her first school, she manifested commendable zeal, securing the confidence and esteem of both scholars and parents.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Miss Aurella A. Gardiner was the teacher of summer and fall terms. A previous acquaintance with this school prepared her to instruct here successfully.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

The summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Mary E. Noyes; the winter term by Miss Henrietta E. Noyes. Both these teachers have had considerable experience, and have enjoyed the advantages of a normal school training.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

The summer term was taught by Miss Mary E. Stevens ; the winter term by Miss Emma B. Noyes. These teachers engaged in this work with a desire to be useful, and a degree of success attended their efforts.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

This school has been taught during the year by Miss Carrie E. Thom. Miss Thom having taken a full course at a normal school, has desirable intellectual qualifications for her work. The school is too large for one teacher. Arrangements are being made for a division the coming year.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

The summer term was taught by Miss Charlotte E. Harris. Miss H. has taught considerably, but her physical health was not equal to the labor imposed upon her. The winter term is being taught by Miss Laura J. Goodhue.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Miss Lillie F. Webster taught this school both summer and winter terms. Some new families having recently moved into this district, the school is larger than in previous years, and the examination at the close of the last term was very satisfactory.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

The summer school was taught by Miss Nellie Foss, who was desired to teach the fall term, but declined. Mr. Owen Copp taught the fall term, and though he had not taught before did a good work. Mr. D. A. Rollins, a member of Dartmouth College, showed a good degree of enthusiasm, and taught the winter term to the satisfaction of all.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Miss Laura J. Goodhue was the teacher for both terms, and being untiring in her efforts for the good of her pupils, maintained her previous reputation as a successful teacher.

In submitting my annual report of the several schools in town, I deem it unadvisable to discriminate between the excellencies and defects of the several teachers. Results speak for themselves. I am, however, happy to say that all of the fourteen different teachers, with the fewest exceptions, have served the districts acceptably, furnishing conclusive evidence of a desire to benefit their pupils to the extent of their ability.

The geographies have been changed, and the new ones, "Swinton's Complete Course," and "Swinton's Elementary," have been adopted and studied with great profit. They are coming into general use, and are deservedly popular.

If the district system is to be continued, I am convinced that a board of three, instead of one, should have the charge of the schools, as it is not easy for any one person to give sufficient attention to the several schools in connection with other duties.

In conclusion, I would thank the teachers and Prudential Committee of the different districts for their ready co-operation in whatever has been accomplished towards the advancement of the cause of education during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL BOWKER,

Superintending School Committee.

Districts.	Terms.	Name of Teacher.	No. of weeks.	Whole no. scholars attending in the year.	Average attendance.	Wages of teachers per month	Town appropriation.	Railroad tax.	Literary fund.	Dog tax.	Visits of supt. school com.	Visits of prudential com.	Visits of citizens	Prudential Com.
	Summer,	Annie S Moulton,	10	59	53	$40	$255.88	$40.16	$63.77	$29.50	2	0	4	Jos. W. Emerson
No. 1.	Fall,	Annie S. Moulton,	10	57	48 3-8	40					2	0	6	
†	Winter,	Annie S. Moulton,									2	0		
	Summer,	Emma F. Goodhue,	9	8	7 1-2	25					1	0	15	Varnum Merrill.
No. 2.	Fall,	Emma F. Goodhue,	10	8	8	25	59.41	40.16	14.48	29.50	2	0	26	
	Summer,	Aurilla A. Gardner,	11	17	16	26					2	0	8	John H. Dunlap.
No. 3.	Fall,	Aurilla A. Gardner,	10	16	15	26	52.34	40.16	13.03	29.50	2	0		
	Summer,	Mary E. Noyes,	10	37	33	36					6	0	none.	Richard Taylor.
No. 4.	Fall,	Mary E Noyes,	10	33	25	36	197.89	40 16	49.22	29.50	2	0	6	
	Winter,	Henrietta E. Noyes,	11	28	22 1-2	38					6	9	10	
	Summer,	Mary E. Stevens,	10	27	17	33	99.62	40.16	24.81	29.50	3	0	9	Jacob Rowell.
No. 5.	Fall,	Emma L. Noyes,	9	33	25	28					3	0	3	
	Summer,	Carrie E. Thom,	10	58	50	36					2	0	22	W. W. Merrill.
No. 6.	Fall,	Carrie E. Thom,	10	54	44	44	327.00	40.16	81.58	29.50	2	0	6	
†	Winter,	Carrie E. Thom,									1	0		
No. 7.	Summer,	Charlotte E. Harris,	8	16	13 1-2		107.18	40.16	26.73	29.50	3	0	none.	H. Woodbury.
†	Winter,	Laura J. Goodhue,									1	0		
	Summer,	Lillie F. Webster,	9	23	20 1-2	30	102 68	40.16	25.62	29.50	3	0	6	E. E Richardson.
No. 8.	Winter,	Lillie F. Webster,	14	28	25	32					2	1	14	
	Summer,	Nellie Foss,	9	17	15	28	114.86	40.16	28.62	29.50	3	1	19	James Butler.
No. 9.	Fall,	Owen Copp,	8	17	16						2	0	10	
	Winter,	D. A. Rollins,	12	21							2	1	12	
No. 10.	Summer,	Laura J. Goodhue,	10	29	27	29	73.43	40.16	18 21	29.50	3	0	10	David Dunlap.
	Fall,	Laura J. Goodhue,	12	25	23	29					2	1	21	

† Not closed.